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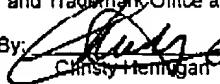
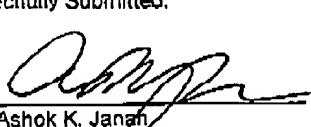
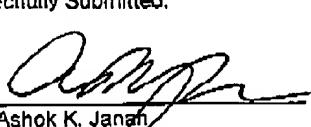
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Weers et al.	Group No: 1617
Application No: 09/851,226	Examiner: San Ming R. Hui
Confirmation No: 4017	Attorney Docket No: NK.0073.00
Filed: 05/08/2001	Wednesday, January 05, 2005
Title: PHOSPHOLIPID-BASED POWDERS FOR DRUG DELIVERY	

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Independent Claims	7	5	2	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$200.00
Multiple Dependent Claims			0	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
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*No new claims in the present amendment, but claims were miscounted in the last amendment transmittal

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